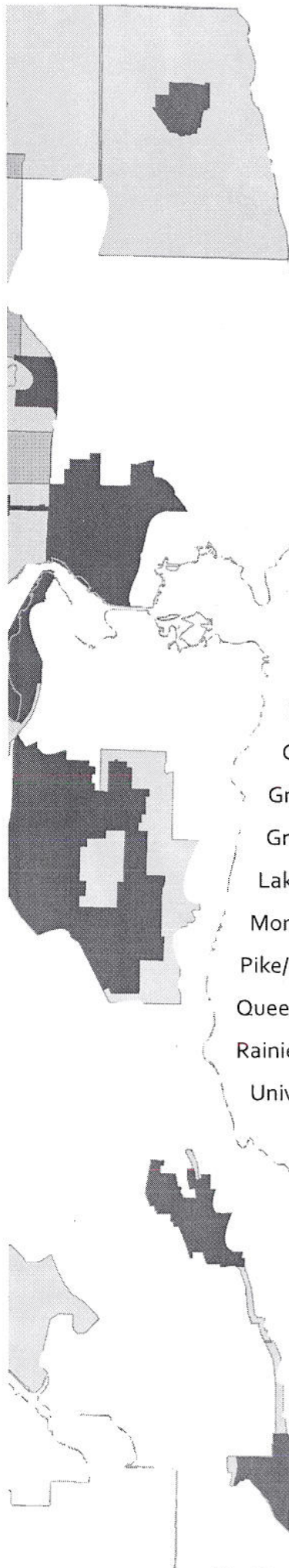


Status Check

Seattle Citizens
Assess Their Communities
& Neighborhood Plans

prepared by
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Which Neighborhoods are Included in this Report?

Admiral

Aurora/Licton Springs

Belltown

Broadview/Bitter Lake/Haller Lake

Capitol Hill

Central Area

Columbia City/Hillman City/
Genesee

Crown Hill & Ballard

Delridge

Eastlake

First Hill

Fremont

Georgetown

Green Lake

Greenwood/Phinney Ridge

Lake City

Morgan Junction

Pike/Pine

Queen Anne

Rainier Beach

University Community

Wallingford

West Seattle Junction

Westwood/Highland Park

For more information about the Neighborhood Status Check, please see the Planning Commission's [detailed report](#) that includes summaries from each of the neighborhood discussions and transcripts from the online questionnaire.

The Seattle Planning Commission's executive summary from the summer 2009 neighborhood discussions and online meeting.

What is included in this report?

This document summarizes feedback from 24 of Seattle's neighborhoods that was gathered from June through August 2009 as part of the City's process to 'check in' on the perceived usefulness and status of the individual Neighborhood Plans. Feedback was gathered in two ways: (1) at a series of open house meetings that included group discussions for each neighborhood and (2) a virtual meeting that included a questionnaire.

The neighborhood discussion groups and the online questionnaire asked the same four questions:

1. Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted, (or since you've been there)?
2. What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you most pleased about? What are you most dissatisfied about?
3. How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved? Are they still the priority?
4. The City is completing neighborhood plan status reports focusing on demographics, development patterns, housing affordability, public amenities and transportation networks. What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months? Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

Why these 24 neighborhoods?

There are a total of 38 Neighborhood Plans that were created as part of the City's Comprehensive Plan to manage growth. Plans were created for neighborhoods where more growth was expected to occur and identified key goals and policies that would help guide development as new residents and businesses move into the area.

In 2008, City Council passed an ordinance ([#122799](#)) that established a process through which the City would 'check in' on these 24 plans that have not been part of other recent planning processes. The ordinance identifies three neighborhoods that are currently receiving neighborhood plan updates related to recently opened light rail stations at the North Beacon Hill, North Rainier and Othello neighborhoods.

